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RED CROSS DONATION...AD Promotions recently sponsored a singing to raise funds for victims of the March '98 flooding. Pictured above are Derek Snellgrove (second from right) and Alex Becker (extreme right), of AD Promotions presenting Red Cross Board Member Charles Kennett with a check to be distributed by the American Red Cross. Looking on is Elaine Roberts with the Coffee County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

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Commission stretches evening session

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

The Coffee County Commission stretched its meeting Monday evening from the previous meeting lasting just under an hour and a half.

Several county residents were present to voice their need for assistance on their roads; however, they departed soon after stating their case, and they missed County Engineer Randy Tindell's "slide show" on flood repair work presently underway throughout the county.

The first order of business was the awarding of bids that were opened earlier in the day on two emergency watershed projects (EWP) and the construction of Cell #4 at the county's landfill.

Low bidder on EWP 98-37 was Regency Construction, Inc. of Slidell, LA. Their bid was \$69,222.00. The bids ranged from the low awarded to \$120,000.00. Carter Contracting Services of Andalusia, AL was low bidder on EWP 98-38 at \$62,614.00. The high bid on this project was \$142,000.00.

Both of the EWP bids were awarded contingent on concurrence from NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service).

Stranco of Louisiana was awarded the bid for the construction of the landfill cell. Their bid was the low at \$772,872.70. There was a high bid of \$1,085,937.50.

In the last commission meeting, commissioners agreed to request bids for the installation of septic tanks at three voting houses in rural Coffee County. Three bids were received with Beckham Septic Tanks & Ditching Service of Enterprise submitting the low bid of \$2,145.00. A high bid of \$2,500 was received.

Under the heading of new business, Phil Rugg, county maintenance department supervisor, addressed the commission concerning drain problems at the county jail.

He also submitted a recommendation to the commission on purchasing a piece of equipment to help in keeping the drains free.

Rugg told commissioners that drains in the jail are often clogged with objects such as towels, plastic objects, tooth paste containers, soap, aspirin bottles, etc.

"We don't have anything to get it out with. We need to buy a power-ized rotorooter," he told commissioners.

He submitted a price of \$1,275.00 for the piece of equipment needed to do the job. Rugg had some samples of the debris that he had removed from the drains, but the commissioners chose not to view the items.

He told commissioners that these drains had to be cleared one to two times per week. The last time it cost labor plus \$429 to clear the drains due to the fact that a private plumber with a power rotorooter had to be called.

He added that the county had just received a bill of \$1,920 to have the sewage pump for the facility rebuilt.

Commission Chairman Robert Stephens told commission members that the maintenance department had enough money in the budget to make this purchase. Commissioners voted unanimously to approve Rugg's request.

While on the subject of building maintenance, commissioners approved a bid of \$698.00 for the cleaning of the county health department building. They also voted to pay for having the facility cleaned on a quarterly basis.

Charles Donaldson addressed the commission concerning the condition of Co. Rd. 517 which is a dirt road.

"We were here about two months ago with a petition and Co. Rd. 517 is still in bad shape," said Donaldson. "When it rains less than a half inch, this road completely washes out...we're fixing to have a bad problem."

He asked the members of the commission if there was anything he could do to help in getting this road paved.

Another resident added, "We are into it now! We can't hardly make it any longer because we can't travel that little old narrow road. We're not asking for no freeway or no big nothing. We're just asking for convenience where we can get out and get our job done. If this is too hard just tell me to shut up. We need your help. If you're ever going to help us, do it now!"

Tindell showed commissioners some recent slides of the road which substantiated the men's argument.

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OPINION

BRAINSTORMS

There are a lot of questions coming our way lately about progress on flood proofing the community. Most of these people are trying to be nice as they vent their frustrations, but they are ready for something to be done. Serving on the recovery committee appointed by Governor James means the questions are aimed at the right person. There is a determination on our part to give some positive answers on this subject, and soon, but we will continue to temper that with the knowledge gained from past experience, that Elba folks really don't like promises which are never fulfilled, especially on such a serious matter as the survival of our great community.

Last week this newspaper reported an award for heroism being awarded to the wrong person. Our fullest apologies to the Greg Gibsons of this world, but more particularly to **Elba fireman Gary Gibson**, who should have been named for getting the award. With tongue in cheek we suggest that he stop taking vacations and he would then be here for the pictures and thus improve an old man's chances of getting his name right.

U.S. Senator Richard Shelby is in a battle royal in Washington over a banking bill amendment. A bill to counter a federal lawsuit which would virtually put the credit unions out of business was amended to exempt small banks (less than \$250 million assets) from the requirements of the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA). Shelby was the author of this amendment which he contends will keep the balance, both by helping the credit unions and the small banks with which they compete. He also argues that the CRA is not needed for small banks as they depend on investing in the local community for their lifeblood without the law and the accompanying paperwork. Right now at press time Shelby is still fighting for the life of his amendment.

President Clinton and Monica... the saga continues. Apparently she is ready to testify before the grand jury and with immunity for telling something different from what she said in another court case. This time we understand she is saying delicately that there was a sexual relationship, but... blah, blah, blah. We expect that in the end the argument will be over what is the definition of a sexual relationship. Backed into a corner himself and apparently going to give sworn testimony, Billy boy can say, with his legal training in the careful usage of words and his wife's tutoring, that he was just befriending a lonesome young girl, etc. She will talk of having an entirely different understanding of the situation, etc., and neither can prove their statement with witnesses. We will have to decide our personal opinion of what really happened... but our opinion will not amount to a hill of beans.

National Study Shows Critical Importance Two-Year Colleges

by Dr. Fred Gainous,
Chancellor Ala. Dept. of
Postsecondary Education

Alabama's two-year colleges were represented in the National Workforce Development Study recently completed by Tony Zeiss and Associates. That study reveals the critical importance of two-year colleges in Alabama and across the nation as we move into the new economy.

Globalization, the technology revolution, tremendous changes in standards, and the increase in emphasis on quality have had a profound impact on business organizations in Alabama and elsewhere. As the National Workforce Development Study notes, never in our history have employers been confronted with such a critical need to maintain the high skill levels of their employees in order to compete.

As much as 75 percent of the existing workforce, including the workforce in Alabama, will require significant job retraining in the

next decade, and up to 80 percent of the new jobs created during that time will require at least two years of postsecondary education. Nearly 50 million workers will need additional training within the next ten years to keep up with employer skill demands. The bulk of these workers will need technical training, customer service training or basic skills training. In addition, 37 million new workers will require entry-level training.

The National Workforce Development Study surveyed to determine the extent of their training needs. This included a number of the more than 1,000 employers served each year by Alabama's two-year colleges. Nearly 80 percent of employers estimated that a quarter or more of their workforce required training. More than one-fifth of employers estimated that from 76 to 100 percent of their workforce required training. Employers surveyed identified the following as the most needed areas

of training for their employees: professional development, computer skills, interpersonal skills, critical thinking skills, communication skills, business skills, understanding of government regulations, personal skills, technical skills, and computational skills.

The great bulk of employers surveyed in the National Workforce Development Study, including those in Alabama, chose two-year colleges to meet their workforce needs. Approximately 90 percent of employers were familiar with the workforce development programs and services of two-year colleges.

When asked why they chose two-year colleges to meet their workforce development needs, four major reasons emerged from the survey: cost effectiveness, ability to customize training, responsiveness/access, and quality of instruction.

In addition, though not included as a survey item, one in ten of all comments by employers focused on the responsiveness and flexibility

of two-year college administrative staff, described as having a "can do attitude" and "often going beyond the call of duty."

When asked to rate the quality of their experiences with two-year colleges, the quality of the training provided was rated "good" or "excellent" by 96 percent of employers. College responsiveness to employer needs was rated "good" or "excellent" by over 90 percent of employers. The bottom line rating for the study, however, asked employers if they would recommend two-year college workforce training programs and services to other businesses. To that question, 95 percent reported that they would recommend two-year college workforce training programs to others.

The National Workforce Development Study makes it clear that two-year colleges are critical to our economy, to the health and productivity of our businesses, and to the well being and prosperity of our workforce as we enter the new economy. Currently, the two-year colleges of Alabama provide training to approximately 50,000 employees of the state's businesses and industries each year. Community economic development through workforce training is at the core of the mission of Alabama's two-year colleges. The volume of such activity at two-year colleges continues to increase, indicating the growing extent to which the business community looks to two-year colleges to help meet its unique workforce development needs.

This could not be articulated more eloquently than by one of the employers involved in the National Workforce Development Study, who said, "We would not be where we are today, not facing the many challenges of competing in the global marketplace... if it had not been for the quality instruction provided our employees through the college. Not only have our employees benefited, but the community at large has benefited."

Pets who are subject to direct sun without plenty of water even for a short period of time can easily suffer heatstroke. In the few minutes it might take you to run into the store for a couple of items, the temperature inside your car can reach 120 degrees or more. A pet can quickly suffer brain damage or die from heatstroke when left in a car or left outdoors unprotected. Leaving windows open a crack, parking in shaded areas, or air-conditioned cars with the motor turned off will not save your pet from the life-threatening effects of hot weather.

The HSUS advises that pets be left indoors at home where they are safely confined and protected from the heat during summer months. If you do see an animal in a potentially dangerous situation during hot weather, notify the police, local animal control authority, or humane society immediately. Contact a veterinarian immediately if your pet shows any signs of heat stress such as heavy panting, glazed eyes, rapid pulse rate, dizziness, vomiting or a deep red or purple tongue. Move your pet into the shade, spray him with cool water, and allow him to drink a small amount of cool water if possible. Transport your pet to a veterinary hospital quickly to determine whether emergency care is needed. Taking these steps could save your pet's life.

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Sincerely,
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Director, Southeast Regional office
Tallahassee, FL

AREA DEATHS

FOYE WISE ROBERTS

Mr. Foye Wise Roberts, age 88, of Elba, died July 26, 1998, in the Elba Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held July 27, 1998, at 2 p.m. at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Marvin Ennis and Rev. Rudolph Newsome officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Memorial Garden, Elba, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Roberts was preceded in

death by her husband Leon E. Roberts.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law: Jean Roberts Vaughan and Jack Vaughan, Elba; two grandsons: Mark Vaughan, Elba; Van Vaughan, Houston, Tex.; one granddaughter: Holly Rowell, Elba; two great-granddaughters: Bonnie Vaughan and Katie Vaughan, both of Elba.

KIE SASSER

Mr. Kie Sasser, age 86, of Elba, died July 28, 1998, at his residence. Funeral arrangements were to be announced by Hayes Funeral Home.

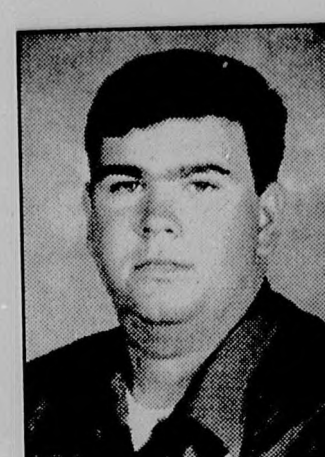
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***Gave the okay for the county engineer to contract with a private surveyor to assist his department with surveying work on Co. Rds. 157 & 231.

***Authorized payment of \$985 for the removal of a wall in the Enterprise Adult Day Care Center.

***Approved payment for the new sound system recently installed in the Community Room.

***Authorized payment of an invoice (\$695) for a timer recently installed in the livestock arena. The funds were supplied by the state

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

As summer progresses and temperatures continue to climb, the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) reminds readers of the serious consequences of leaving animals inside parked cars.

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TO CONCERNED CITIZENS OF COFFEE COUNTY

On behalf of the Coffee County Commission, we invite you to participate in a public forum for development of a Strategic Plan for Coffee County. There are two meetings: Thursday, Aug. 6, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. and Friday, Aug. 7, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., to be held at the Enterprise State Junior College in Room 110 of the Forrester Building.

This opportunity will allow citizens of Coffee County to help with development of plans for the future on very important topics. These topics include agriculture/agri-business, communications/technology, economic development, education, quality of life and transportation.

During these meetings you will have the opportunity to share your ideas on these issues and help determine goals and objectives.

Thank you for your support and continued interest in our county's future.

ROBERT G. STEPHENS
Chairman
Coffee County Commission

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envelopes containing the tally results and data packs as required by Alabama election laws.

(f) There were exactly 50 absentee ballots cast at the Enterprise courthouse with the Probate Judge's Office before the election. Caylor suggested that they were handled inappropriately by an individual who is not a resident of Coffee County.

(g) Finally, Caylor alleges that an oral criminal complaint against the individual referred to above was reported to the District Attorney's Office and was not acted on by that office.

Caylor concludes his formal complaint as follows: "I believe the citizens of Coffee County view the aforementioned events as bold and malicious attacks against our freedom as citizens, our institutions and the order of law which we seek to preserve."

"I therefore respectfully request that you proceed ahead and fully investigate these matters, that you do so with the full faith, dignity and power of the office of Attorney General to which you were appointed."

Copies of the complaint were sent to U.S. Attorney Redding Pitt, Secretary of State Jim Bennett, and Elba Police Chief Ronnie Whitworth.

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IV - SMALL SOLDIERS (PG-13)
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Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, July 20, 1998, investigated the following incidents: one burglary, five thefts of property, three assaults, and one DUI.

The following arrests were made: two for assault and one for theft of property.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: eight for speeding, one for DUI, and one for running a stop sign.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, JULY 20 - River stage - 3.66 feet (6:04 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence in the Basin Community (5:24 p.m.); Routine activity.

TUESDAY, JULY 21 - River stage - 3.39 feet (6:51 a.m.); Routine activity.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22 - River stage - 3.18 feet (6:00 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on U.S. Hwy. 84E (10:47 a.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer to Medical Center Enterprise (7:28 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Plant Avenue (8:58 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JULY 23 - Minor wreck reported at Big/Little Store East (6:43 a.m.); River stage - 3.02 feet (6:46 a.m.); Disturbance reported on Caroline Street (9:05 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JULY 24 - River stage - 2.92 feet (6:11 a.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Flowers Hospital in Dothan (11:51 a.m.); Routine activity.

SATURDAY, JULY 25 - River stage - 2.84 feet (6:26 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Neil Grantham Drive (7:08 a.m.); Coffee County EMS

made a medical transfer to Flowers Hospital in Dothan (10:14 a.m.); Fire department dispatched to stand by at a natural gas leak at Powell's Trailer Court on Smith Avenue (11:13 a.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Dothan (9:58 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Cedar Lane Drive (11:09 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JULY 26 - River stage - 4.68 feet (6:27 a.m.); Routine activity.

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of July 21, 1998 through July 27, 1998. They were: Grace Burks, Burton Bryant, Dorothy Smith, Annie Ellis, Diane Duncan, Amber Powell, Mary Copper, Rebecca Mack, Ollie Burks, Grady Grantham, Laura Lovequest, Grace Lawford, Lola Thomas, Dana Kelley, Leroy Cole, Carol Harbuck, Joan Hobbs, Jessie

Robinson, Versie Cole, and Fern Boland.

Persons discharged during the same time period were: Michael Blocker, Julius Parrish, Aaron Daniels, Ricky Kendrick, Juanita Whitfield, Lela Tyson, Grady Grantham, Ophelia Frazier, Grace Burks, Ollie Hussey, Annie Ellis, Dorothy Smith, Diane Duncan, Amber Powell, Laura Lovequest, Rebecca Mack, and Dana Kelley.

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July 21 thru July 27, 1998

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Killingsworth-Crowe wedding held April 18th

Leah Anne Crowe and Todd Judson Killingsworth were united in marriage Saturday, April 18, 1998, at five o'clock in the afternoon at the Elba First Assembly of God Church. Rev. William Martin Gray Jr. performed the candlelight ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Willard Douglas Crowe of Elba and Mr. and Mrs. Rex David Killingsworth of Jacksonville, Fla.

Grandparents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Edd Fillingim of the New Hope Community, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Constance Crowe of Cartersville, Ga.

Grandparents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Edd Fillingim of the New Hope Community, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Constance Crowe of Cartersville, Ga.

The entrance of the church was decorated with a large arrangement of mixed spring flowers. In the foyer the registry table held the bride's book, plume pen, and a crystal vase with a simple tropical arrangement. Mrs. Tammy Killingsworth, Jack, sister-in-law of the groom, presided at the bride's book. Program attendants were Miss Brittany Bass, New Hope, and Mr. Cory Keeler and Mr. Blake Reeder, Panama City, Fla., all cousins of the groom.

A large brass candelabra filled with pink gerbera daisies, blue delphiniums, coral tulips, purple statice, and white monte casino asters was the focal point of the choir loft. Nine-branch candelabra trees with jade palms and springer ferns were on either side, and spiral candelabras with greenery stood next to the nine-branch trees.

The choir rail was covered with jade palms and springer ferns with a bridal unity candle and matching floral arrangement placed in the center. Parents' pews were marked with mixed spring flowers, and center aisle pews were marked with white bows and greenery. One pew, marked with a red, buff, and green bow, was reserved for the bride's Alpha Gamma Delta sorority sisters.

Plasma Mike Lindsey of Daleville performed the musical prelude and was accompanied by flutist, Miss Anna Maddox, of Elba in "Canon in D," "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," and "The Wedding March."

Soloists Rhonda Hughes, New Hope, and the groom, sang "In This Very Room" and "The Parent's Prayer." During the lighting of the unity candle, Mrs. Lynn Reeder, Panama City, Fla., cousin of the groom, sang "Gloria, Gloria, Gloria," and "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" as the postlude. Mrs. Lynn Baker, Elba, sang "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore an Italian sheath gown of white satin and embroidered lace. The gown featured a sweetheart neckline and fitted bodice overlaid with alencon appliques, which were hand-beaded with pearls and bridal iridescents. Matching appliques accented the sheer puffed sleeves, which tapered to fitted wrists and lace points over the hands.

The fitted sheath skirt was adorned with the same beaded applique appliques, which encircled the hemline. A cathedral-length detachable train was fastened at the back with a beautiful looped bow. The train, also adorned with pearl appliques, was also edged in pearls.

Her finger-tip veil flowed from a crown of pearls and bridal iridescents. The double-illusion veil, made by Mrs. Tina Wright, Dothan, was also edged in pearls.

The bride, who wore her grandmother's pearls, carried a cascading bouquet of bridal white roses, freesia, dendrobium orchids, and Queen Anne's lace. Arranged in her bouquet were two linen handkerchiefs which belonged to her maternal great-grandmothers.

Miss Emily Crowe of Elba served her sister as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Laura Crowe and Miss Katie Crowe, Elba, sisters of the bride; Mrs. Melanie Andrade, Dallas, Tex., and Miss Kaki Wright, Dothan, both cousins of the bride; Miss Mandy Shirley, Auburn, and Miss Tiffany Goss, Nashville, Tenn.

Miss BreAnn Austin, Macon, Ga., cousin of the groom, served as flower girl and carried a white wicker basket filled with mixed spring flowers. She wore a white French handsewn dress featuring a beautiful scalloped collar and a halo of baby's breath in her hair.

The bridesmaids wore floor-length, sleeveless sheaths of coral crepe, featuring beautiful scalloped, open backs. They also wore matching faux diamond-and-drop pearl earrings and carried their bouquets embroidered handkerchiefs, both gifts from the bride. Their bouquets were cascades of mixed spring flowers.

The mother of the bride wore a two-piece floor-length suit of dusty blue crepe. The neckline and front of the jacket were adorned with beads and pearls.

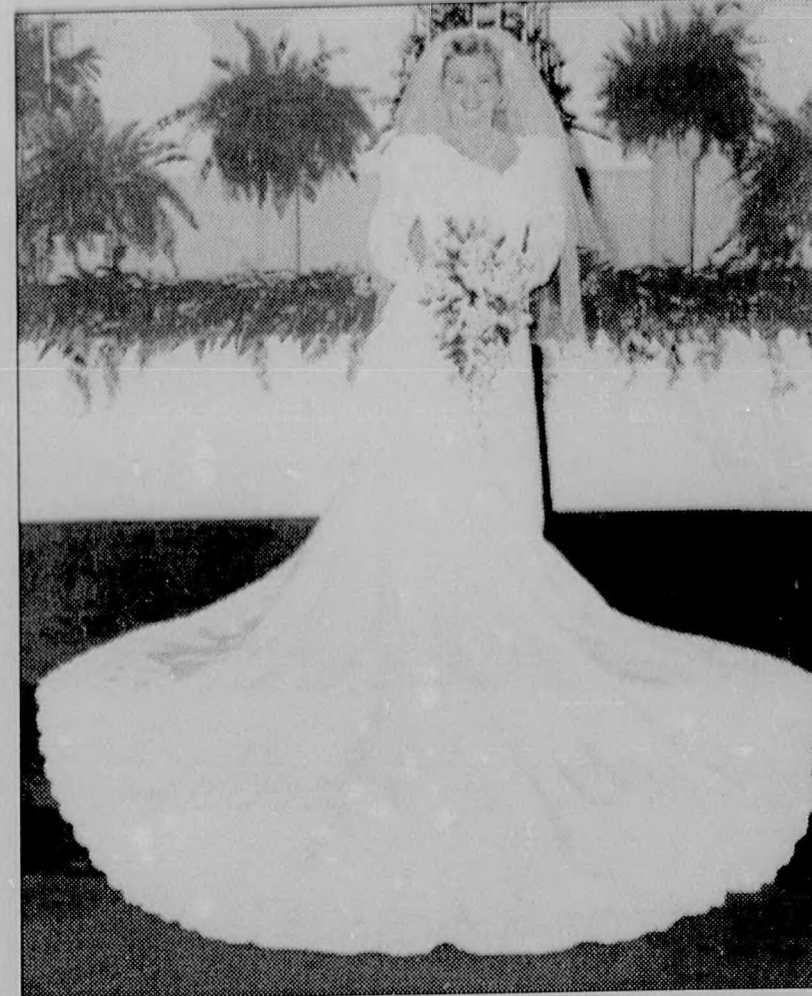
The mother of the groom wore a tea-length three-piece ensemble of ivory shantung. The straight skirt topped by a cream silk-blend shell was embellished with spaghetti streamers attached at the shoulders with self-fabric love knots. Both mothers wore corsages of coral rosebuds and purple statice.

Kevin Killingsworth of Jack served his brother as best man. Groomsman were Jamie Bass, Troy Fillingim, and Bart Hughes of Jack, all cousins of the groom; Ted Buxton, Enterprise; Todd McCall, Elba; and John Jacobs, Anniston.

Trey Wright, Dothan, cousin of the bride, served as junior groomsman.

Justin Morris, Cartersville, Ga., cousin of the bride, was ringbearer and carried a pillow hand-sewn by the mother of the bride.

The wedding was directed by Mrs. Henrietta Grimes.



Mrs. Todd Judson Killingsworth

Groomsman's Brunch
The groomsman and fathers of the bride and groom were honored with a brunch held April 18 in the home of Mrs. Janice McCall.

Out-of-Town Guests' Luncheon
Out-of-town guests and family members of the bride were treated to a delicious luncheon on April 18 in the Elba Elementary School cafeteria. Hosting the event were Mrs. Grace Taylor and Mrs. Merle Clark, great-aunts of the bride, and Mrs. Elaine Shirley.

Bridesmaids' Luncheon
The bridesmaids, mothers and grandmothers were honored with a luncheon on April 16, at the Magnolia Room in Enterprise. Hostesses were Mrs. Annie Laurie Wright, grandmother of the bride, and Mrs. Judy Mays, Dallas, Tex., and Mrs. Tina Wright, Dothan, aunts of the bride.

Barbecue
Todd and Leah were honored with a barbecue dinner on April 10 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Boyd in New Brockton. Hostesses were Mrs. Peggy Baxley, Mrs. Sylvia Brown, Mrs. Valerie Moore, Mrs. Gloria Moseley, Mrs. Marsha Oggs, Mrs. Kathy Smith, Mrs. Peggy Stroud, and Mrs. Kristi Wilkerson. The hostesses presented the couple with a monogrammed magazine rack.

Lingerie Shower
On Saturday, April 4, Miss Crowe was given a lingerie shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tammy Killingsworth. Hostesses for the event were Mrs. Dawn Austin, Miss Tiffany Bass, and Mrs. Denise Sauls.

Handy-Man Party
The couple was honored with a handy-man party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Smith on April 5 in Dothan. The party was attended by co-workers of the groom.

Miscellaneous Bridal Shower
Miss Crowe was the honoree at a miscellaneous shower at Taylor Mill Oaks on March 29. Hostesses for

the occasion were Mrs. Katrina Calhoun, Mrs. Lynn Baker, Mrs. Pam Baker, Mrs. Stephanie Brunson, Mrs. Mary Grider, Mrs. Becky Hayes, Mrs. Jean Helms, Mrs. Mary Holley, Mrs. Betty Hudson, Mrs. Jane Hudson, Mrs. Mandy Jefeat, Mrs. Jean Kennett, Mrs. Ellen Lowery, Mrs. Millie McCollough, Mrs. Debra Nicholson, Mrs. Marsha Oggs, Mrs. Freddie Pearce, Mrs. JoAnn Rainer, Mrs. Melanie Roberson, Mrs. Ceina Spicer, and Mrs. Sara Strong. The hostesses presented Miss Crowe with a gift certificate to a department store.

Rice Bag Party
A rice bag party was given for Miss Crowe on March 30, hosted in the home of Mrs. Lynn Weeks of Kinross.

Miscellaneous Bridal Shower
Miss Crowe was honored with a miscellaneous shower on March 22 at the home of Mrs. Betsy Dismukes of the New Hope Community. Hostesses were Mrs. Betty Bass, Mrs. Jan Bass, Mrs. Amber Carley, Mrs. Eve Dismukes, Mrs. Julie Downing, Mrs. Jean Eagerton, Mrs. Renee Eagerton, Mrs. Buena Faye Hornsby, Mrs. Margaret Howell, Mrs. Rhonda Hughes, Mrs. Myrtle Lott, Mrs. Faye Rhoden, Mrs. Diane Smith, Mrs. Jerrie Stinson, Mrs. Duette Towles, Mrs. Leona Turner, Mrs. Grace Wilson, Mrs. Mary Lois Wilson, Mrs. Phyllis Wilson, and Mrs. Sydney Wilson.

Miscellaneous Bridal Shower
Miss Crowe was given a miscellaneous shower on March 15 at the home of Mrs. Zella Mobley of Jack. Hostesses were Mrs. Merle Bragg, Mrs. Erna Green, Mrs. Virginia Jordan, Mrs. Jessie Merle Lewis, Mrs. Debbie McCollough, Mrs. Barbara Mobley, Mrs. Edna Mobley, Mrs. Marie Mobley, and Mrs. Doris Thomas.

Home Shower
A home shower was held on March 3 in the home of Mrs. Cupidean Clark, great-aunt of the bride-elect, in Enterprise. Gifts for various rooms of the home were presented to the bride by guests attending the party.

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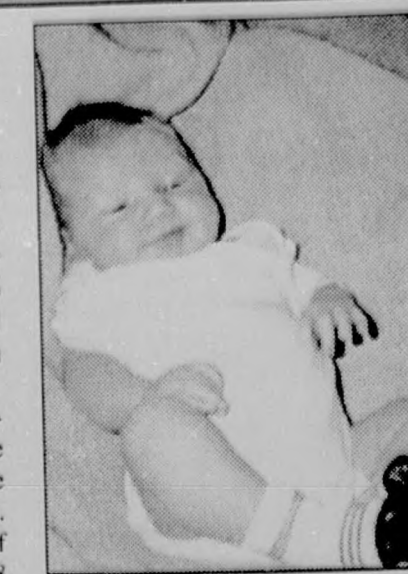
Michael and Cindy Lunsford of Kinross announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Connie Lunsford, to Brian Hawthorne, son of Randal and Chris Hawthorne of the Basin Community.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Clara and the late Ovie Lunsford, and Ollie Mae and the late Dempsey Stephens, all of Opp. She is a 1996 graduate of Kinross High School and a 1998 graduate of Enterprise State Jr. College. She is currently pursuing a degree in Sociology and social work at Troy State University and is employed at a department store in Opp.

The prospective groom is the grandson of D.P. and Mary Hawthorne Jr. and grandson of the late Dillard and Lucille Williams.

He is a 1996 graduate of Kinross High School and a 1998 graduate of MacArthur State Technical College where he completed a degree in cabinet making and carpentry. He is currently employed at an Opp firm.

The wedding will take place Aug. 15 at six o'clock in the evening at the Opp Church of Christ. No invitations are being sent. All friends and relatives are invited.



Harrison Lucas Bullard

Bullard's announce birth of son

Mike and Beverly Bullard announce the birth of a son, **Harrison Lucas Bullard**, on June 25, 1998, at Medical Center Enterprise. He weighed 8 lbs. 10 ozs. and measured 21-1/2 inches in length.

Grandparents are Harry Bullard and Amorette Helms of Elba; Betty Boutwell and the late L.A. Boutwell Jr. of Victoria.

Great-grandmother is Mrs. L.A. Boutwell Sr. of Victoria.

Locklar Reunion to be held in New Brockton

The annual Locklar Reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 1, at the Community Room of the Coffee County Farm Center in New Brockton.

The reunion, for the descendants of Henry and Hattie Locklar, will begin at 10 a.m., followed by a covered dish luncheon. All relatives are invited.

Messer-Holley wedding planned for Saturday, August 15th

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Messer of Geneva announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Sherrie Messer, to Mark Holley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Holley of Kinross (Ino Community).

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. B.C. Messer of Samson, Mrs. Annie Laura Booth and the late Mr. J.R. Booth of Geneva.

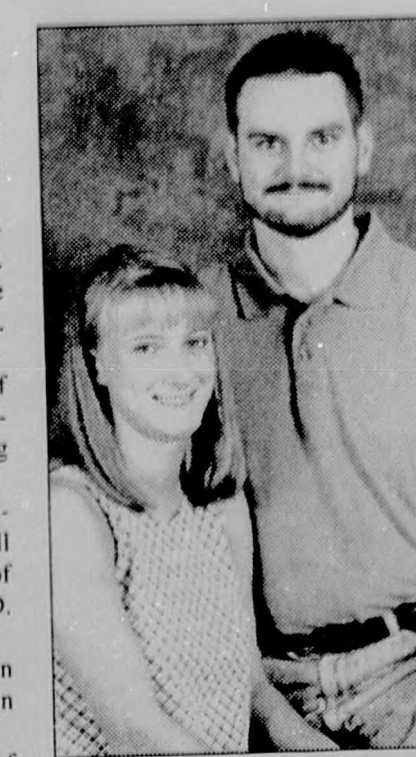
She is a 1994 graduate of Geneva High School and is attending Troy State University pursuing a degree in Special Education.

The future groom is the grandson of Mrs. Arlette (Holley) Hall and the late Mr. Houston Holley of Ino, and the late Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Hughes of Geneva.

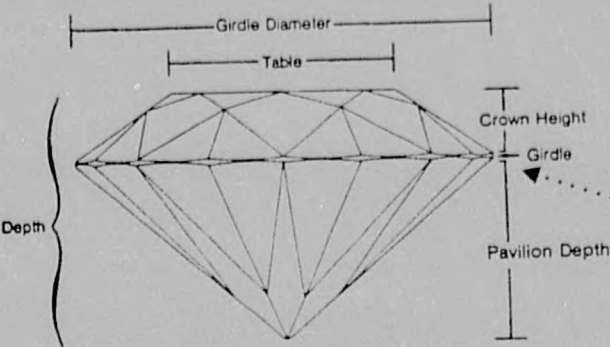
He is a 1992 graduate of Kinross High School and is employed in Dothan.

The wedding will be an event of Aug. 15, 1998, at New Prospect Baptist Church, at five o'clock in the afternoon.

No local invitations are being sent. All family and friends are invited to attend.



Sherrie Messer, Mark Holley



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Meghan Lewis is two years old

Meghan Lewis was two years old on July 29, and will celebrate her birthday Aug. 1 with a party at Ponce de Leon Springs, Fla. Theme of the celebration will be "Rugrats."

Meghan is the daughter of Steve and Stacy Lewis of Elba.

Her grandparents are Pete and Shena Johnson, Opp; Cathy and James Smith, and J.D. and Betty Lewis, all of Georgia.

Great-grandparents are Zedie and the late Allen Johnson, and Lillie Cox, all of Elba.

Great-great-grandmother is Eva Mae Smith of the Elba Nursing Home.

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SPORTS

Views from

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz

Melanie would never admit it, but I get the feeling that she is just about ready to get back to school and attack the fourth grade. It has been weeks since she has pitched a fit to go swimming, and even though she went to the skating rink last week, it really wasn't her idea. Yep, I think Melanie has become bored with the same old summer routine and is ready to hit the halls.

NEW HIGH SCHOOL ALIGNMENT SPARKS EXCITEMENT

The Alabama High School Athletic Association has released its new area alignments for the 1998-99 school year, and while the new groupings brought good news for some schools, it also was the bearer of bad tidings for many others.

***The Elba Tigers got the best end of the new deal in football with its move into the area with Clayton and Slocomb. Slocomb has a pretty solid program and could challenge the Tigers; however, Clayton has struggled for many, many years on the gridiron, and should be little more than a scrimmage.

***The Zion Chapel Rebels came back down to the 1A ranks, but the folks up at the state office certainly didn't do the Rebels any favors when they placed them in the same area with such powers as Florida, G.W. Long and Houston Academy. The Rebels could pull off an upset or two, but any win in this area would definitely be deemed an upset.

***The New Brockton Gamecocks have to be smiling at least a little after being placed in the area with Kinston and Straughn. The Bulldogs are a county rival and will always battle the Gamecocks until the final horn, and the Tigers have a very good 2A program. However, the new area foes certainly beat the old area with Goshen, Luverne and Georgiana.

***The Kinston Bulldogs are now the state's smallest 2A team, and the Bulldogs will have their hands full with New Brockton and Straughn in their area. Kinston has always played 2A teams, and now that it is a 2A school, maybe the Bulldogs will grow some teeth and make some noise in their new surroundings.

***The Brantley Bulldogs stayed in the 1A ranks, and this season will again have their hands full with area opponents J.U. Blacksher, McKenzie and Frisco City. I know the Bulldogs will be much improved this season; however, their area opponents are not big rivals, and that always scares a coach, as well it should.

***About the only other new area that really caught my eye was in Class 5A, where Greenville moved into the area with Hillcrest, Monroe County and Wilcox Central, and longtime 6A school Carroll, of Ozark, moved into the three-team area with Opp and Andalusia. The Eagles haven't flown very high in years in football, but could have a new life in the 5A ranks.

DUSTING OFF THE DESK....

***The coaching merry-go-round continued to make some unexpected stops last week when Northview's Billy Kinard and Daleville's Coach Andy Kelley both announced their resignations. Coach Kinard has some very successful seasons at Northview, but was hampered by some off the field problems with some players in recent years, which no doubt took a lot of the fun out of the sport. Coach Kelley turned Daleville into a basketball power in recent years, but he took advantage of a chance to get into administration, and made a move that will without a doubt lead to bigger and better things. Both resignations will create big holes to fill at both schools; however, the schools had the sports before these coaches arrived, and will no doubt field teams again this season.

***I guess the major league baseball career of Mark Wohlers is just about over. I watched him attempt to pitch one night last week against Chicago, and his performance was nothing short of terrible. I have to admit that I have never been a Wohlers fan; however, I hate to see anyone go through what he has endured in recent weeks, and wish him well, hopefully with another team.

***The youth football season is also just around the corner and it will be interesting to see how the move to middle school football will impact the youth league. In years past Elba High School had a junior high team that included players in grades 7-9, but many of the seventh graders opted to stay with the youth league to get in one more season of experience before making the move up to junior high. Now that the middle school team has been formed, those seventh graders are making the jump, which could leave the youth league's pee-wee team more than a little short-handed. I have no problem with the school doing what it feels is best for its students. However, while I hope the change works and the school sticks with its ideal, also have mixed emotions as far as recreation sports is concerned because the addition of a seventh grade basketball team last year certainly made life hard for a very young All-Star team for ages 11-12, and I'm afraid the change in football will also lead to some mighty long nights.

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JOB VACANCY

The Coffee County Board of Education announces that applications for the following teaching position are now being accepted:

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2. Applications will be accepted through Wednesday, August 5, 1998, 12:00 noon.

3. Initial screening will be conducted by the principal.

4. Interviews for selected applicants will be conducted by the principal and/or superintendent.

5. The superintendent will make recommendations to the Board for action.

6. All applicants interviewed will receive written notification of action taken regarding the vacancy applied for.

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Most area teams not included

Preseason prep football rankings released

The Alabama Sports Writers Association has released its preseason football rankings for Alabama high schools, with only a handful of area schools making the list in the six classifications.

Dothan made the list at #9 in Class 6A, while ranked #7 in Class 5A was Greenville. The Class 4A rankings did include a number of South Alabama teams, with T.R. Miller coming in at #3. W.S. Neal being ranked #6 and Dale County being ranked at #7. Defending 2A champ Luverne, which made the jump back to 3A this season, was

ranked #6 in Class 3A, while in Class 2A, Highland Home came in at #8 and Cottonwood made the poll at #10. Class 1A included no area teams for the first time in many seasons.

Tuscaloosa County leads the list of four defending state champs ranked #1 in the preseason rankings, and is joined by Blount (5A), Alexandria (4A), and Billingsley (1A). Defending champ Luverne moved up to 3A, while defending 3A champ Aliceville came in at #2, behind Colbert County.

Following is a list of the presea-

son "Top 10" teams in each of the six classes:

CLASS 6A
1 - Tuscaloosa County
2 - Vestavia Hills
3 - Benjamin Russell
4 - Central-Phenix City
5 - Vigor
6 - Central-Tuscaloosa
7 - Lee-Montgomery
8 - Jess Lanier
9 - Dothan
10 - Oxford

CLASS 5A
1 - Blount
2 - Sylacauga

CLASS 4A
1 - Alexandria
2 - Deshler
3 - T.R. Miller
4 - Greensboro
5 - Midfield
6 - W.S. Neal
7 - Dale County
8 - Lanett
9 - Hokes Bluff
10 - Emma Sansom

CLASS 3A
1 - Colbert County
2 - Aliceville
3 - Good Hope
4 - UMS-Wright
5 - Briarwood
6 - Luverne
7 - Springville
8 - Plainview
9 - Lincoln
10 - St. Clair County

CLASS 2A
1 - Clay County
2 - Sand Rock
3 - Lineville
4 - Addison
5 - Hazlewood
6 - South Lamar
7 - Marietta
8 - Highland Home
9 - West Morgan
10 - Cottonwood

CLASS 1A
1 - Billingsley
2 - Verbena
3 - Westbrook Christian
4 - Cedar Bluff
5 - American Christian
6 - Parrish
7 - Sweet Water
8 - Autaugaville
9 - Courtland
10 - Frisco City

CLASS 6A, AREA 4 - Abbeville, Ashford, Headland and Rehoboth.

CLASS 5A, AREA 3 - Greenville, Hillcrest, Monroe County and Wilcox Central.

CLASS 4A, AREA 3 - Dale County, Daleville, Geneva and Pike County.

CLASS 3A, AREA 3 - Clayton, Elba and Slocomb.

CLASS 2A, AREA 4 - Calhoun, Goshen and Luverne.

CLASS 1A, AREA 3 - Frisco City, Frisco City and McKenzie.

CLASS 1A, AREA 4 - Florala, G.W. Long, Houston Academy and Zion Chapel.

CLASS 2A, AREA 3 - Kinston, New Brockton and Straughn.

CLASS 2A, AREA 4 - Geneva County, Samson and Wicksburg.

CLASS 2A, AREA 5 - Ariton, Cottonwood, Houston County and Louisville.

CLASS 3A, AREA 3 - Clayton, Elba and Slocomb.

CLASS 3A, AREA 4 - Calhoun, Goshen and Luverne.

CLASS 4A, AREA 3 - Dale County, Daleville, Geneva and Pike County.

CLASS 4A, AREA 4 - Abbeville, Ashford, Headland and Rehoboth.

CLASS 5A, AREA 3 - Greenville, Hillcrest, Monroe County and Wilcox Central.

CLASS 5A, AREA 4 - Andalusia, Opp and Carroll, of Ozark.

CLASS 5A, AREA 6 - Stanhope-Elmore, Charles Henderson and Wetumpka.

CLASS 6A, AREA 4 - Dothan, Enterprise and Northview.

Elba Tigers face new area foes

New area alignment to create excitement

The 1998-99 school year has already started in a number of places, and will begin in only a matter of days in all others, and that means that the 1998 high school football season is only a few short weeks away.

The beginning of a new school year always means changes for teacher and students, and this year it will also mark changes in high school football, as the Alabama High School Athletic Association realigns its member schools.

The Elba Tigers will remain in Class 3A, Area 3, but the new season will bring with it new area opponents in the Slocomb Red Tops and the Clayton Tigers. Last season the Tigers were in the same area with Rehoboth and Headland, and missed the playoffs for the first time in years. However, the opposition appears to be a little less imposing this season, and should be just what the doctor ordered for the rebuilding Tigers of Coach David Sikes.

The Zion Chapel Rebels will compete in Class 1A, Area 3 this season, but the Rebels of Coach Randy Grant will find the battles on the field just as tough as ever, as their area opponents will include the Florida Wildcats, Houston Academy Raiders and G.W. Long Rebels.

At South Alabama Speedway

Elba's Huff takes checkered flag in Pure Stock

Ronnie Strawder, of Enterprise, was the big winner last weekend at the South Alabama Speedway as he raced his way to the winner's circle in the Sportsman Feature.

Sporting new sheet metal on his Firebird after being involved in the crash the week before, Strawder started on the pole and led all 30 laps to win his first feature race of the season. Gary Davis, of Kinston, tried to make it two straight wins in the sportsman class, but was unable to make a move on the speedy Strawder, and settled for second. James Mason, of Dothan, placed third. Rounding out the top five were Terry Davis and Greg Wood.

In the Super Stock feature, Mobile's Mark Davis took the lead from Roy Harrison on lap 3 and went on to the win. Dothan's Jeff Smith ran a strong second, while Elba's Ricky Rogers placed third.

For youth football and cheerleading

Registration is now underway

Registration is now underway for boys and girls that wish to participate in "Youth Football" and "Cheerleading" this fall in Elba. The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation sponsors three teams in the Tri-County Youth Football League, with the Midget team being for ages 7-8, the Termites team being for ages 9-10, and the PeeWee team being for ages 11-12. The age requirements are for football players as well as cheerleaders.

Registration forms are available at the Elba Recreation Center, located at 764 North Claxton Avenue, from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM, during weekdays. A \$20 registration fee is charged for both football players and cheerleaders, and football equipment is available for rent for \$25 per set from the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation (\$10 refund when equipment is returned in approved condition).

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation will provide game jerseys for all players and pom-poms for all cheerleaders. All other game equipment for the players is the responsibility of the players, while cheerleaders will be responsible for the cheerleader uniforms worn at the games.

For additional information, or for anyone wishing to coach or sponsor a cheerleader squad, call 897-6833.

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SANDRA T. COFFEY
County Extension Coordinator

FIGS

Figs are certainly plentiful throughout Coffee County this year. We have received numerous phone calls this week on preserving figs. The major problem people are having is not getting a good seal. This would be due to not using the waterbath canner. The recommendation for figs is ten minutes for pints canned in the waterbath and five minutes for half-pints. This helps insure a good, strong seal and will kill mold, mildew, etc. that South Alabama is known for.

I caution you to be sure to follow the directions on the box your jar flats came in. There are lots of different brands and many different types of sealing compounds. So read carefully and follow those directions.

The following are two excellent recipes. I hope you enjoy them.

OLD FASHIONED FIG PRESERVES
6 lbs. figs • 1 cup baking soda • Boiling water • 6 cups sugar
Sprinkle firm, ripe figs with 1 cup baking soda. Cover with boiling water. Let stand 5 minutes. Drain and rinse in two baths of clean, cold water. In a large glass container, alternate a layer of figs and a layer of sugar until all figs and sugar are used. (Top layer will be sugar.) Cover and let stand at room temperature for 12-24 hours.

Cook uncovered in a thick-bottom boiler until figs are the desired texture and syrup is the desired consistency. Pack into hot canning jars or let stand overnight at room temperature to let figs plump. Next morning pack cold figs in warm, pint standard canning jars. Cover figs with syrup to within 1/2 inch of top. Adjust jar lids and bands. Process in a boiling waterbath canner (212° F) - cold preserves, 15 minutes; hot preserves, 10 minutes.

STRAWBERRY PRESERVES
2 3-oz. packages strawberry gelatin
3 cups sugar
Wash, peel and mash figs. Measure 3 cups mashed figs into a large, thick-bottom saucepan. Add gelatin and sugar and heat to a boil. Lower heat and boil slowly for 3-5 minutes, stirring often. Fill hot jars immediately with fig mixture, leaving 1/4-inch headspace. Remove jar bubbles. Wipe jar rims and adjust lids.

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Elba couple's Garden of Eden or God's Little Acre

by Bernie Cobb
Certified Master Gardener

When Roy and Thelma Parrish showed me a picture of the snake all puffed up around the head like a cobra, I thought that this must be the Garden of Eden. But there wasn't an apple tree in sight. That's when the Elba couple explained that they had named this garden of theirs, "God's Little Acre."

The retired Dorsey Trailers, Inc., supervisor, and his wife live in Elba but have been tending their vegetable garden just outside of town since 1979.

After 38 years with Dorsey's and 33 years of service with the Alabama National Guard where he saw his share of disaster relief work, Parrish is more than content to devote his time to gardening. But he is serious about it. And, after being raised on a farm with his grandmother, and using a mule and a plow, he knows what he's doing. The proof is right there in the lush garden.

"At first I used to grow some tomatoes over there," Parrish said, pointing a finger at the ghost of an old barn that used to stand there. "Now I grow them mostly on that trellis. I got those concrete-wire cages to support them. Then I put some more cages up on top of them. It's almost like a grape arbor would be."

"I'm six feet tall and I've had to

get a step ladder to pick tomatoes on the very top," he claimed, showing me some color photos as proof.

"You've got to get some good growth on your tomato plants, though, to do that," Parrish added. "I think the best tomatoes for growing on a trellis and getting good growth like that is Better Boy, Bonnie's Hybrid and Park's Whopper. The Better Boy is my best choice. Atkinson is a good tomato but you can't get the good growth you need."

The avid gardener has some ideas of his own about controlling plant diseases, too. His wife suggests that some people might think him a bit strange, considering his philosophy on insect and disease control. But it sounded pretty good to me.

"If you are going to make a trellis and cages using cement-wire, be sure to use old wire that doesn't have all that oil coating or other stuff like new wire does," he advises.

"And be sure not to let anybody around your tomatoes who smokes tobacco. And keep your own hands good and clean. I wash my hands with a (antiseptic) solution I mix up so I don't spread fungus or other diseases from one plant to another. I don't want to lose my whole crop to diseases."

"And here's something else," he threw in for good measure. "When I shop for plants and I see plants stacked up on shelves, I always get plants off the top shelf. I figure that when they water those plants, if any of them have a disease, it's just getting washed down on the plants in the rows underneath."

And then, there's the snake. Or



ROY PARRISH stands in his vegetable garden which can be seen from the highway near Elba. He has luscious vegetables growing here, including squash, peppers, and tomatoes on a trellis.

he volunteered. "Pay attention to the birds. They'll often let you know what's going on if there's some trouble around."

Parrish leans heavily towards organic gardening ways when he can. "I got to having some trouble with the blight once," he told me. "Sent a plant to Auburn and they told me I had a fungus in the ground. I don't know how they figured that out, but had been planting in the same spot too long. I use a copper soap-shield fungicide now. In my way of thinking, it helps."

"I came out one day and I heard the birds chattering and carrying on," the National Guard veteran said. "I didn't pay attention to them like I should have. Then I saw a snake right there in the garden where I was leaning over picking peas. That's a good tip for your young gardeners."

But Roy and Thelma Parrish are undaunted by plant diseases and snakes. When they take a little rest they just lean back in their comfortable chairs under those cool shade trees and survey their "God's Little Acre."



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WINNERS IN THE JUNIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING - INFORMATIVE at the Dothan District 4-H Roundup held June 19 at Troy State University are: (l-r): 1st place - Joshua Crawford, Montgomery County; 2nd place - Andy Bryan, Crenshaw County; 3rd place - Mary Katherine Head, Coffee County; 4th place - Anna Justice, Geneva County; 5th place - Carrie Daniels, Barbour County; 6th place - Isaac Holley, Covington County.

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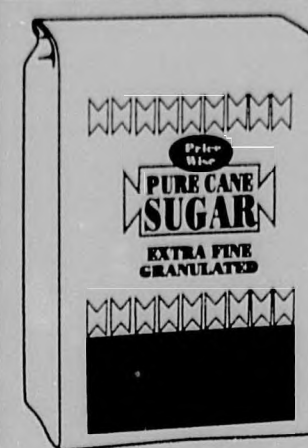
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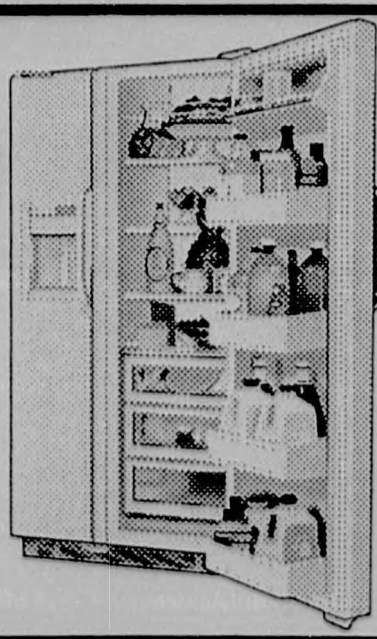
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